Birdville Area Youth Futbol Alliance

(BAYFA)

2023-2024 Coaches Rule Book

Coaches welcome to BAYFA! We are glad you have decided to take time from your life to have a positive impact on lives of young kids in our community. BAYFA is a recreational soccer league that plays in NMCSL (Northern Mid Cities Soccer League) and a member of NTSSA (North Texas Sate Soccer Association) which is a member of the US Soccer Federation.

BAYFA strives for voluntary compliance with all rules, but can and will initiate A&D hearings. All complaints filed with the BAYFA VP (Chair of A&D) will be investigated and a determination by the A&D Chair will be made whether to call a hearing.

We have compiled several common rules that are often overlooked. Failure to comply with any of these, or any other BAYFA, NMCSL, NTSSA by-laws may result in an A & D hearing.

Fair Play

1. BAYFA is a Recreational League. Starting with U11 no player registered on a competitive soccer team may play on a BAYFA recreational team.
	1. Coaches will be held reasonable for enforcing this rule
2. All Players will receive 50% playing time in every game.
	1. A player may receive less than 50% of playing time in a game for discipline reasons, if the following conditions are meet prior to the game:

The Coach receives written permission from the appropriate age group commissioner prior to the match.

Informs the player, their guardian, and the referee prior to the match.

Fields / Game Day

1. Team benches will be set up on the same side of the field, with spectators on the opposite sideline directly across from the player bench. No coach, parent, player may be behind the goal.
2. The City of North Richland Hills (NRH) has purchased and installed a Perry Weather alert system at Green Valley Park. It is the reasonability of all coaches to be aware of it, and what the different lights and sirens mean. If at time the system is alerting all play, practice, or any outdoor activity will be immediately suspended and all players, coaches, referees, and spectators will seek cover immediately.
3. Green Valley maybe be closed to soccer actives at any time at the discretion of BAYFA or the city of NRH. When the park is closed there will be no teams on any grass surface, or tennis court at Green Valley. Before any practice or game please check Facebook for field Status. If there is no update within the last 48 hours the fields are open.
	1. The Field Director will inspect the fields in the event of inclement weather before 1:00PM M-F, and Saturday mornings at 8:00AM. Please check Facebook for official field status.
4. BAYFA has a ZERO tolerance policy in regard to parent, player, and coaches behavior both on and off the field. This covers interactions with other spectators, players, game officials, league officials, or coaches. Coaches are responsible for players, assistant coaches, and spectators of their team, failure to intervene and deescalate a situation will be held accountable for the actions of their team.

Uniforms

1. BAYFA currently allows teams to forgo using BAYFA provided uniforms, if they meet the following conditions:
	1. Team receives written permission form the Board of Directors of BAYFA
	2. Any BAYFA registered player must have the BAYFA logo present on their uniforms.
	3. The Coach assumes all liability for purchasing uniforms for all player, regardless of players ability to pay for said uniforms.